



# ***Evans Recovery and Redevelopment Update August 19, 2014***

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Now eleven months post disaster, we have moved from response to recovery! Warren Jones has officially taken the lead on the flood recovery effort after his official retirement as the Evans Fire Protection District Chief.

The <b>first</b> phase: Response to Crisis	September
The <b>second</b> phase: Assessment of Damages	September – May
The <b>third</b> phase: Preliminary Recovery and Repairs	February Forward
The <b>fourth</b> phase: Recovery, Redevelopment New Construction	Late 2014 Forward

As we transition, the Recovery and Redevelopment Task Force will continue to play a critical role. This group of active and involved citizens will guide many recommendations related to planning for the future of Evans. We want to thank them for their service, and thank our State Office of Emergency Management, the Department of Local Affairs, and the Governor's Office for all their help and support. Our state legislators have been incredibly responsive as well with bills in both the House and Senate to address flood related issues faced in Evans.

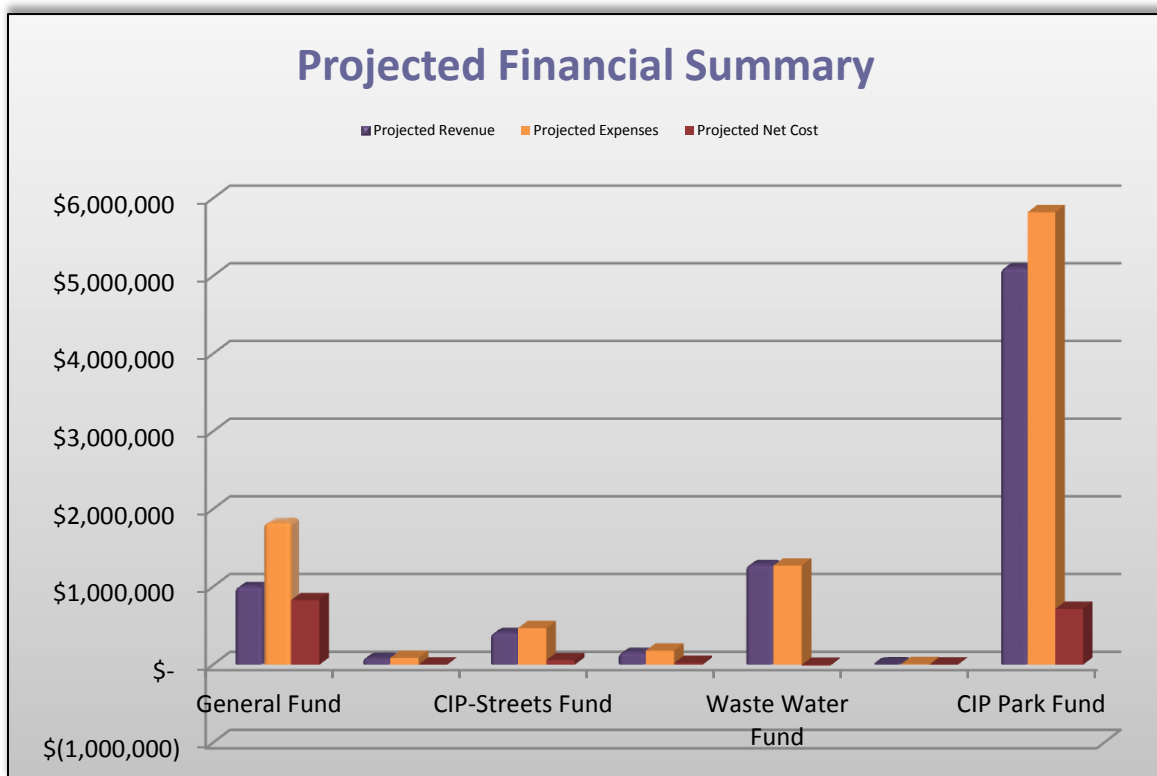
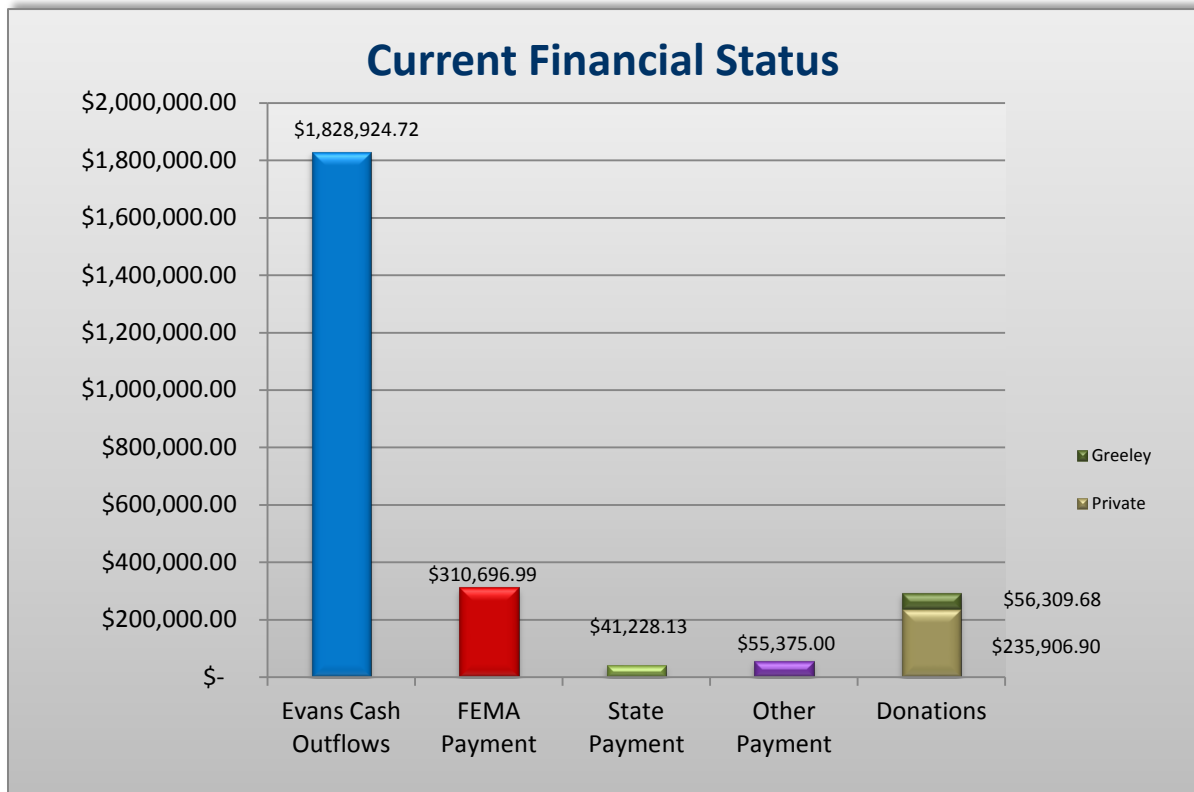
Public health and safety remain a top priority for the City, and moving through recovery and redevelopment three other priorities will rise to the top:

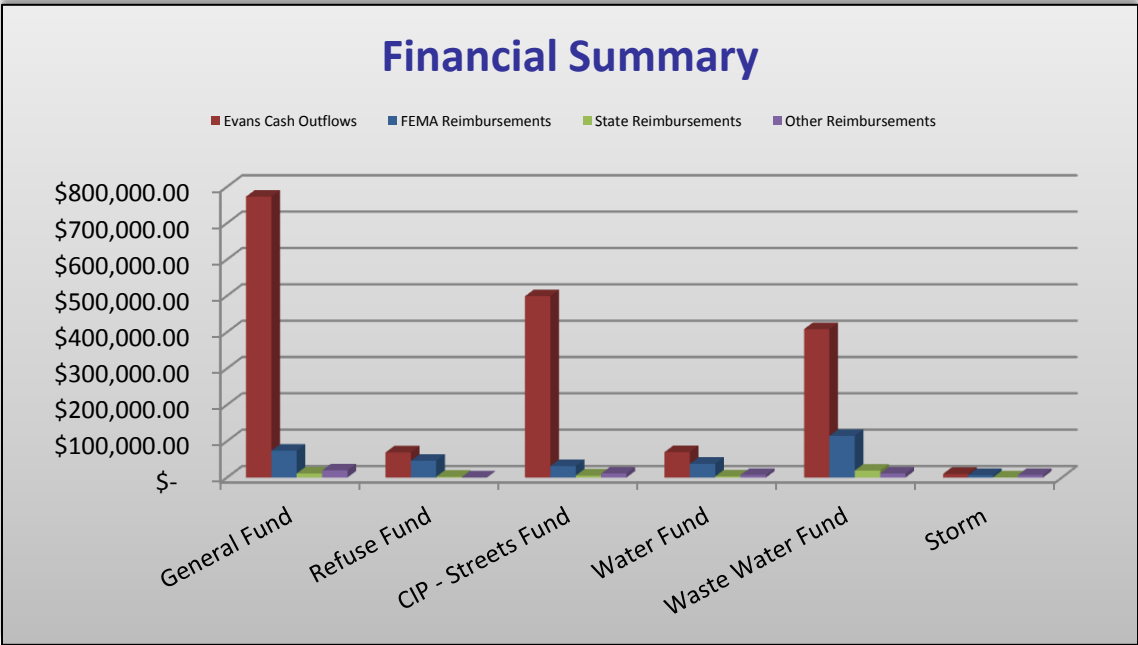
- Planning Project Management
- Capital Project Management
- Grant Management

The City will likely need to evaluate capacity and choose not to apply for certain grants, and not complete certain capital projects, due to a lack of resources to manage and staff those projects. At this point the grants we have been unable to apply for include:

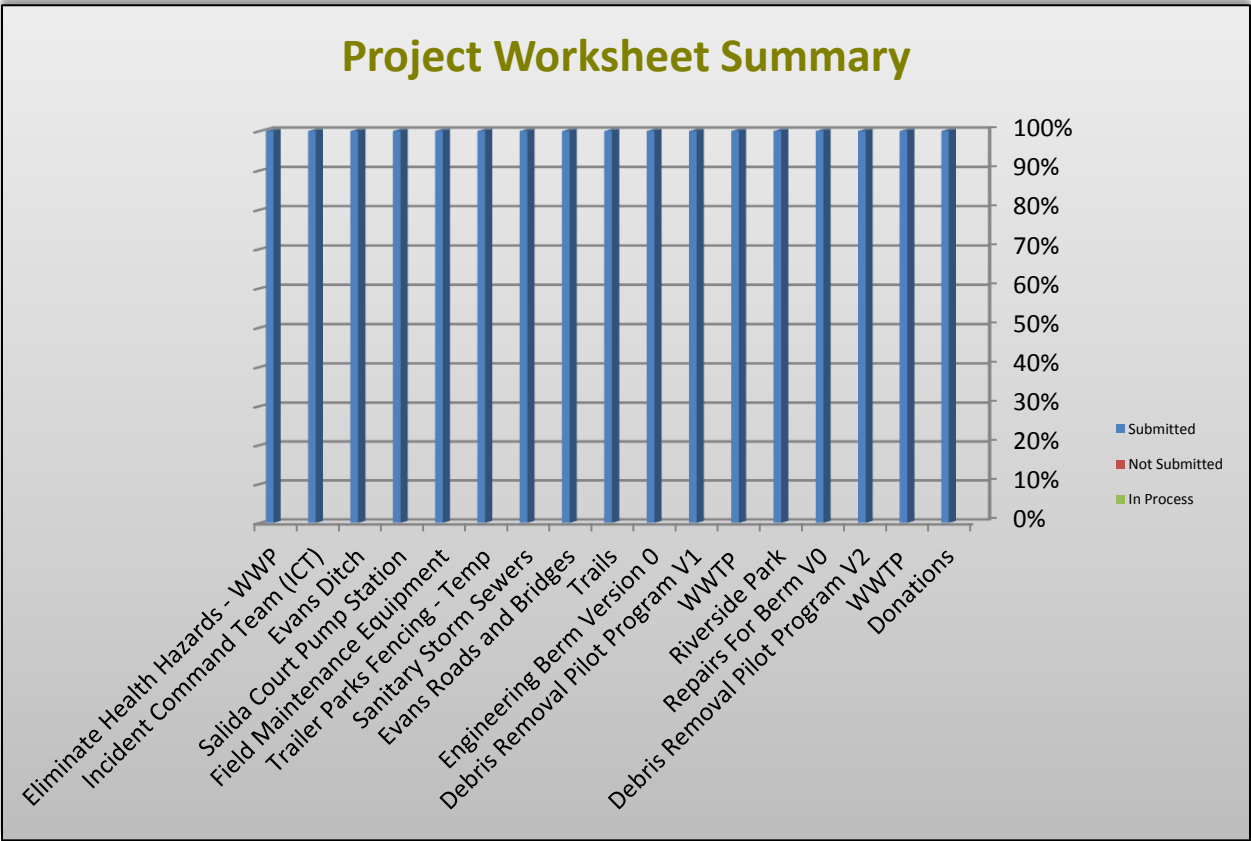
CWCB Stream Restoration	Lack of staff, no clearly defined project on the public side
Charrette Funding	Lack of staff, no time to apply within 2 week window
CDBG DR Clearance and Demo	Applied for Bella Vista, could not apply for Eastwood Village due to lack of response from owner

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

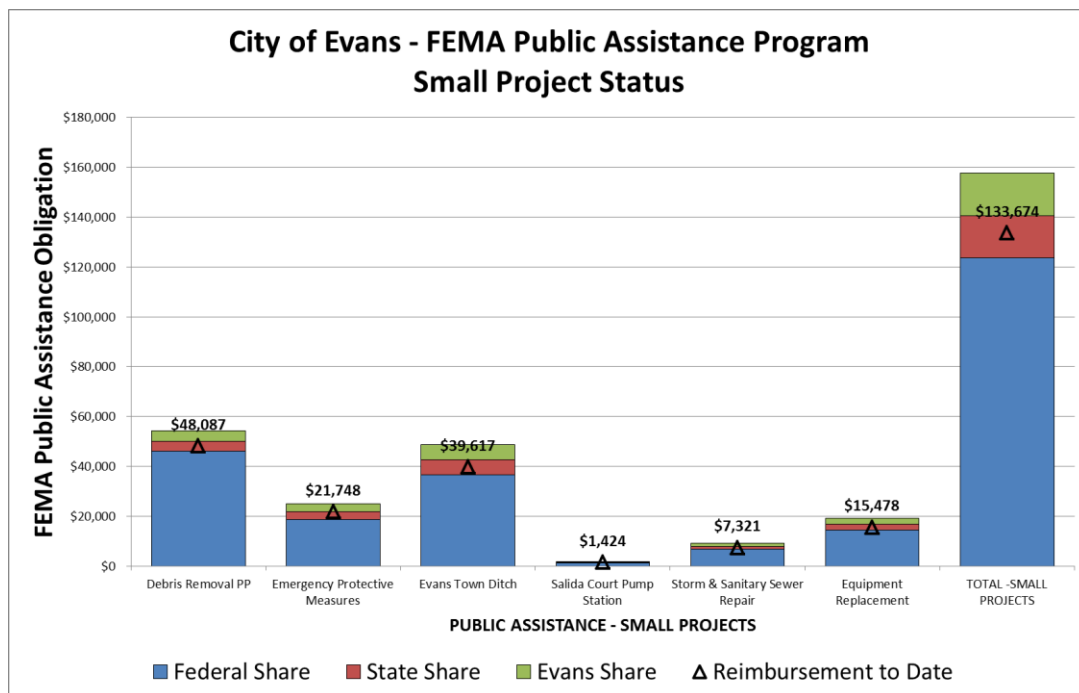
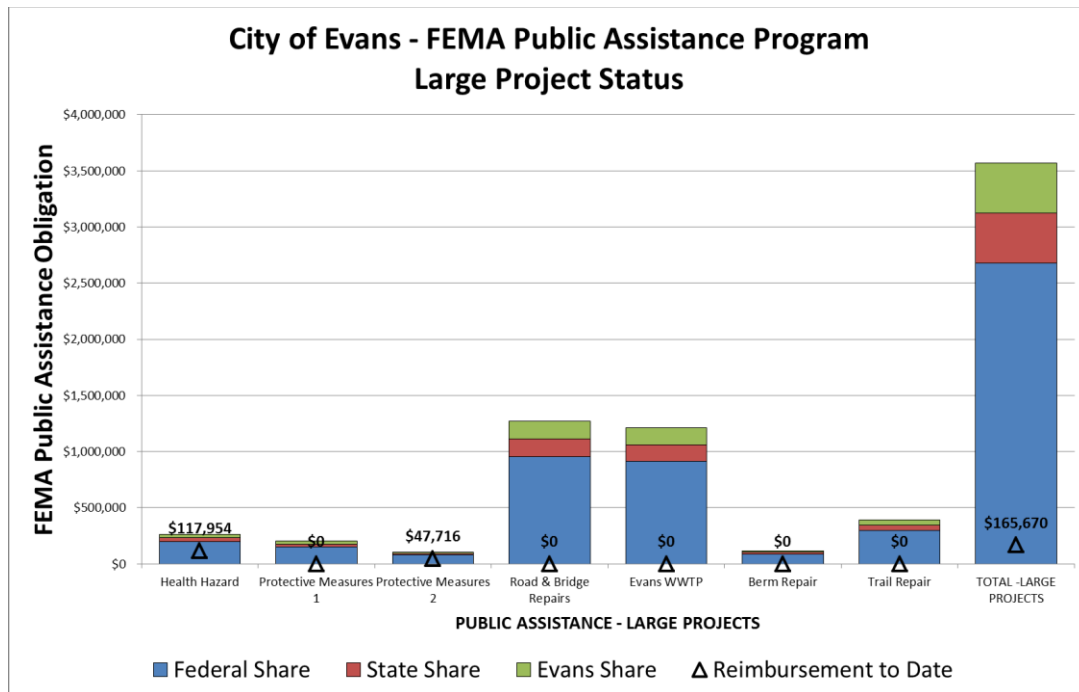




**PROJECT WORKSHEET AT A GLANCE**



## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROJECT STATUS



**GRANT UPDATE**

**Evans Flood Recovery - Grant Applications Status**

**7/2/14 Update**

Application Date	Agency	Program	Grant Request	Local Match Non-Federal	Total Cost	Award Date	Award Amount	Project/ Purpose	Comments
11/1/13	CWCB	Emergency Loan Application & Feasibility Study	\$ 715,000	\$ -	\$ 715,000	11/19/13	\$ 715,000	Evans Ditch Clean up and Repair	3 Years, no interest, no payments, Must use FEMA funds to reim. Loan
11/8/13	CDHPE-WQCD	Flood Assistance Grant	\$ 36,000	\$ -	\$ 36,000	11/19/13	\$ 36,000	FEMA ineligible expenses	
11/21/13	CWCB	Flood Recovery Grant	\$ 20,000	\$ 43,750	\$ 63,750	?	\$ 20,000	Evans Ditch Debris & Sediment Removal	FEMA PA to match in overall Ditch Repair Project cost of \$542,000
12/2/13	DOLA	Energy Impact Assistance Grant (EIAF)	\$ 200,000	\$40,000 Evans GF, \$20,000 EPA, \$190,000 pending	\$ 500,000	3/19-21 present in Denver, award date in April	\$ 200,000	Old Town Area Master Plan	Grant being re-written to eliminate flood recovery language. More match funds needed. Community Foundation & others?
1/16/14	CWCB	Watershed Restoration Grant	\$ 125,000	\$40,000 in-kind (\$30k Flood Recovery Manager, + \$10k GIS, accounting & project admin.)	\$165,000	In March sometime		S. Platte River Corridor Master Plan, Jeff Crane to assist with consultant RFP, RFP's out in March or April?	Grant fund a consultant for Master Plan for restoration of S. Platte from St Vrain to Poudre. Plan will organize impacted land owners & gov't. agencies, assess of risks, & prioritize capital & non-capital (e.g. flood maps) projects
1/24/14	NRCS & COEM	Emergency Watershed Protection (EWPP) and Flood Plain Easements (EWP_FPE)	LOI submitted to NCRS	NA - project is initiated by state and NCRS		?		Berm & landfill repair, Protect Riverside Park& WWTP, FPE could provide funds for permanent floodplain easement at mobile home park)	Financial & TA for debris removal, stream bank & channel stabilization, berm repairs,& possibly easement purchases
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$7.05m	\$2.35m	\$9.4m	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		WWTF Upgrades & Mitigation	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction

1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$6m	\$2m	\$8m	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		MH Acquisition & Demolition	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$2.25m	\$.75m	\$3m	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		Berm Repair	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$5.25m	\$1.75m	\$7m	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		Water Storage Riverside Park & Open Space	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$750K	\$250k	\$1m	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		Landfill Remediation	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$75k	\$25K	\$100k	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		Emergency Generator	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
1/31/14	FEMA	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	\$18,750	\$6,250	\$25k	NOI's submitted, apps by invite		5% Project Stream Gauge	Hazard Mitigation Planning and/or construction
2/7/14	GOCO	Park/Trail Recovery Grants	\$ 80,250	\$240,750 cash (FEMA & CO)	\$ 321,000	4/3/2014		Riverside Park Trail Repairs	Must be shovel ready, grant covers 25% match to FEMA 75% or items not covered by FEMA
3/5/14	GOCO	Planning Grants	\$ 75,000	\$25k cash, Conserva. Trust Fund?	\$ 100,000	6/11/14		Riverside Park & Open Space Recovery Plan	Can include a feasibility/engineering design report for debris removal & park restoration or new park planning
3/5/14	GOCO	Mini-Grant	\$ 30,000	\$10k total: \$4k cash & \$6k inkind	\$40,000	6/11/14		Playground at Library Cultural Ctr	
4/1/14	DOLA	<b>EIAF</b>	\$60,000	\$20,000	\$80,000			Development Impact Fee Study	
7/2/14	CDHPE - WQCD	NDGF Natural Disaster Grant Fund	\$1 million						

## **PROJECT UPDATE**

### ➤ **WWTF**

The project work sheet has been approved from the work in Category F. The state has also awarded the City a Natural Disaster Grant that covers the City's match for both the work on the project work sheet, the hazard mitigation and preliminary design of the new wastewater treatment facility. City staff and Olsson Associates are in the process of reviewing the work plan required for full execution of the CDPHE Natural Disaster contract and starting to get repairs moving forward.

### ➤ **CDPHE Natural Disaster Grant Fund**

The City will receive a grant from CDPHE for one million dollars. This will cover match monies for the EVANS17 PW, the hazard mitigation improvements for the Evans WWTF (both described above) and preliminary engineering services for the new wastewater treatment facility.

### ➤ **Riverside Park**

Staff and Task Force members have been working with on the Master Planning process; this project will increase in momentum in the next few weeks. Major work in the last month has been public input and surveys at a number of City events. The Task Force is working with the consultants now to compile and summarize the public participation and survey data.

### ➤ **Berm**

Nothing new to report.

### ➤ **Ditch**

Nothing new to report.

### ➤ **Landfill**

Nothing new to report.

### ➤ **Roads**

Nothing new to report.

### ➤ **Trails**

We will not be starting any permanent work on the trails until we have a completed Master Plan for Riverside Park.

### ➤ **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**

Staff is working with the State and consultants on a HMGP application due August 29, 2014. This will be discussed at the work session and a resolution is on the regular City Council agenda to begin the formal application.

### ➤ **Flood recovery unit staffing**

The staffing request has been sent to the State Department of Local Affairs as authorized by City Council Resolution. If approved, the staffing and related costs will be included in the 2015 budget and final 2013 budget revision.

## **EMERGING ISSUES**

### **Round 2 of Community Development Block Grants**

The State of Colorado is now conducting public hearings on the second round of CDBG-DR grants. The total amount of these grants for the State will be \$119 million with 14% targeted at Weld County. The City's interest is primarily for infrastructure projects such as the redevelopment of Riverside Park and work related to the berm and landfill. We are also interested in potential CDBG grants for planning projects and participation in the South Platte Watershed Coalition. While the application deadline for round 2 has not been announced we expect it to be late this year. For this reason we are beginning planning now for possible applications. This may require accelerating some projects that are in the development stage now.

### **One Year Anniversary Recognition Event**

The one-year anniversary event will happen in tandem with a partial re-opening of Riverside Park. Activities in the park on Saturday, September 13 from 10 am – 2 pm will include a ribbon cutting at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Street entrance, displays of key areas affected by the flood depicted with photos of the flood damage, clean up progress through the year and the current or potential future state of those areas. Staff and residents will be on hand to talk about their experience last September. Master plans for Riverside Park will be shared and special children's activities are planned.

### **For Further Information or Questions:**

Please contact Warren Jones at [WJones@evanscolorado.gov](mailto:WJones@evanscolorado.gov)



**One Year Anniversary Event at Riverside Park  
Saturday, September 13, 2014**

**September 13**

- Media invited
- 10 am – 2 pm
- 10 am
  - Opening Comments by John Morris and Aden Hogan (possibility from elected officials as well)
  - Official ribbon cutting for partial re-opening of the park
  - Ceremonial planting of a tree from RETREET
- Displays – a series of images of the flood/recovery through the year/now or future
  - Riverside Park
  - Berm break
  - Stick built homes
  - Mobile homes
  - Brantner Road
  - Wastewater Treatment Plant
  - We would like a couple of residents who experienced the flood first hand to help “staff” some of the display areas to share their stories and answer questions.
- Activities
  - Riverside Master Plan Engagement
  - Historic Evans Master Plan Engagement
  - Water Education Station
  - Kids painting area –re-cycled piping for kids to paint and take home as planters. Provide wildflower seeds to all kids.
  - Emergency notification sign-up through the County
  - Hand out Letters from Katrina books
  - Provide something special for those children who experienced the flood “I’m a flood hero” or some such
- Popcorn and bottled water

**September 14**

- RETREET
  - Plant trees at flood damaged properties

**Opportunities for Task Force involvement:**

- Passing out flyers door to door
- Staff the popcorn maker
- Give out Letters from Katrina
- Oversee the children’s painting area
- Encourage attendance
- Attend with friends and family – bring fishing poles, dogs (on leash), Frisbees and USE THE PARK